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Our Case No. 9281-4642
Client Ref. No. N US03514

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Sumihito Morita et al.)
Serial No.: To Be Assigned)
Filing Date: Herewith)
For: Thin Film Magnetic Head Having)
Partial Insulating Layer Formed on)
Bottom Pole Layer Through Gap Layer)
and Method of Manufacturing the)
Same)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.